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Re: DOJ-2018-000676

No. 19-cv-810 (D.D.C.)

VRB:JMB:BRB

Dear Enid Zhou:

This responds to Categories (1)(b), 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated and received in this Office on November 5, 2018, for various records pertaining to Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller III's investigation into Russian interference with the 2016 U.S. presidential election and other related matters.¹

By letters dated May 6, 2019 and June 3, 2019, we provided you with interim responses to Categories (1)(a) and 5 of your FOIA request, respectively.

Please be advised that searches have been conducted for records of the Special Counsel's Office and the Office of the Deputy Attorney General for Categories (1)(b), 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 of your request. No records responsive to Categories 3, 6, or 7 of your request were located. Moreover, no additional records responsive to Category (1)(b) were located outside of the appendices attached to the Report On The Investigation Into Russian Interference In The 2016 Presidential Election ("the Report"), provided to you on May 6, 2018.

We have identified four records of communication between the Department and Congress which are responsive to Category 4 of your request, all of which are available on the Department's website. These records consist of (1) Attorney General Barr's March 22, 2019 letter, located at https://www.justice.gov/ag/page/file/1147986/download; (2) Attorney General Barr's March 24, 2019 letter, located at https://www.justice.gov/ag/page/file/1147981/download; (3) Attorney General Barr's March 29, 2019 letter, located at https://www.justice.gov/ag/page/file/1167086/download.

Lastly, seventeen pages containing records responsive to Category 2 of your request have been located. We are continuing to process those records, which require consultations

¹ This response is consistent with the parties' agreement on scope as reflected in the June 17, 2019 Joint Status Report.

with other Department components, and will respond to you again once our processing is complete.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2012 & Supp. V 2017). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Courtney D. Enlow of the Department's Civil Division, Federal Programs Branch at 202-616-8467.

Sincerely,

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